



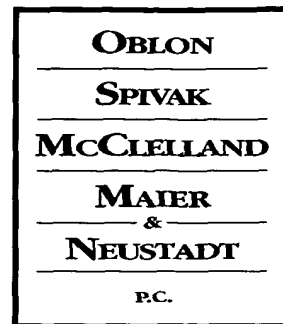
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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/044,948
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Amendment (w/attached Marked-Up Copy) and a copy of *Organic Chemistry*, Allyn and Bacon, Inc., Boston (1959), pages 101-102 and 124-125

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Responsive to the Office Action dated September 12, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1 and 12 as follows.

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1. (Amended) a method for producing (1) moldings from finely divided materials, wherein the finely divided material is mixed or impregnated with a heat-curable composition and the resultant mixture is shaped at temperatures above 120°C or (2) consolidated sheetlike structures of fiber materials, wherein an unconsolidated sheetlike structure of fiber materials is first treated with a heat-curable composition and then heated at temperatures above 120°C, wherein the heat curable composition comprises:

(A) at least one reaction product of

i. at least one polycarboxylic acid of the formula I: